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July 9	Pat Push (NY)	Peg Millar (NY)
July 23	Jimmy Lee (Canada)	Roy Gotta (NJ)
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Early
Rounds



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Help us reach out to the non-dancing world with ABC Square Dance.**

From the computer of... Rusty & Richard Ball, NNJSDA Presidents



The time has come around again for the annual President's message welcoming our new graduates into our dances and our clubs. We'd like to take this opportunity to share two things we learned from two good caller/teachers.

The first one is a "non-call" from our "old" caller/teacher, Dick Mazziotti: "mingle." This may not be a recognized call, but it is very popular among newer dancers. When a call is missed, everyone just wanders around "mingling" with the rest of the folks in the square. It seems like the more new dancers there are in a square, the longer they "do the mingle."

Then, there is the helpful hint that is always stressed by caller/teacher Fran Wadel: getting into lines when a square breaks down. From normal lines, a "standing square" is better prepared to get back in the action. During a tip, a caller will call "normal lines" to help squares that have broken down get moving again. One way to keep squares from "doing the mingle" and help new dancers learn how to quickly form normal lines is to dance with them. And experienced dancers have to go to summer dances to do that.

Some good news is that there are a lot of new dancers this year. To keep them dancing and to help your club be strong, we recommend that at least 50% of your seasoned dancers and all of your new dancers come to The Gathering in September. Why? Because the new dancers will learn some exciting things about square dancing outside the world of classes and club activities. The enthusiasm of new dancers is catching. And seasoned dancers could really use that extra boost from hearing what other successful clubs, dancers, and callers have done to make belonging to a club fun again.

This being the 50th anniversary of the NNJSDA, it is the 49th for our beloved *Grand Square*. We have had only four editorial teams since 1965! When you see the Kanters and the Thompsons at the Association's 50th anniversary party on May 31, remember to give them a hug for their hard work over the last eight years on this wonderful pocket guide to dancing. Besides editing the best square dance magazine in the country (we're only a bit proud of it!), this year they have gone from scissors, tweezers, and hot wax to the digital age! An absolutely marvelous job!

Welcome, new square dancers! See you all in a square! And remember: Dance, dance, dance; have fun, fun, fun!

Rusty & Richard Ball, NNJSDA Presidents



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NNJSDA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May

- 31 NNJSDA 50th Anniversary Gala**
St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell
Snyder/ Pickett

June

- 1 NNJSDA Exec. Comm. Meeting**

July

- 7 Grand Square deadline**
Fall/Classes Issue

- 9 NNJSDA Special**
VFW Hall, Elmwood Park
Push/ Millar

- 23 NNJSDA Special**
VFW Hall, Elmwood Park
Lee/ Gotta

August

- 10 NNJSDA Exec. Comm. Meeting**

- 13 NNJSDA Special**
VFW Hall, Elmwood Park
Longobucco/ Kushla

- 27 NNJSDA Special**
VFW Hall, Elmwood Park
Ritucci/ Wagenhoffers
Grand Square distribution

September

- 14 Delegates' Meeting** (1:00 pm)
VFW Elmwood Park
27 The Gathering (Noon – 10 pm)
Douglass College, New Brunswick
Marriner/ Gotta (Evening Dance)

October

- 31 NNJSDA Special**
Callahan/ Denniston, McCabe
St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell

November

- 7 Grand Square deadline**
Winter/Spring Issue
9 Mini-Festival (MS/PL/A/C1/RD)
Bridgewater, School TBA
Baer, Gotta, Miller/ McGee

January, 2009

- 11 Delegates' Meeting** (1:00 pm)
VFW Elmwood Park
25 Mid-Term Class Level Dance
Help support our newest dancers.
31 NNJSDA Special
St. Aloysius Church, Caldwell
Matthew/ McGee

Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association 50th Anniversary Celebration

Caller
MS and PL as requested!

Cuer
Early Rounds at 7:30

Dance Date/Time

Location

Inquiries

Reservations recommended

Jim Snyder (PA)

Mary Pickett

Saturday, May 31
8:00 - 10:30 pm

St. Aloysius Church
Caldwell
Map on page 52

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\$10/person, check payable to NNJSDA





HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS
 Echo Hill Park, Lilac Drive, Stanton Station, NJ
 Web Address: hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjsda.org
 Contact # night of dance 908-672-0372



<u>2008</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>
May 2	50's Night – Poodle Skirts & DAs	A. Woerner
16	Hawaiian Night – Straw Hats & Flower Shirts	Ed Kerns
June 6	Ice Cream Social – Wear Shorts	Ed Kerns
July 13	New Graduates Dance – w/ Bee Sharps	Ed Kerns
	Bound Brook United Methodist Church	and
	All new & experienced dancers welcome.	G. Patton
	Pot Luck 1-2:30 pm Dance 2:30-5 pm	
Sept. 19	Welcome Back – Let's Start Dancing	Ed Kerns
21	Open House, Fun Dance – All are invited	Ed Kerns
	1:30-3:30 pm	

Alternate Mainstream & Plus Level Tips
 Soft Sole Shoes Please!



For Information:
 Donna & Joe 908-526-7496
 Ruth & Harry 908-369-6471
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1st & 3rd Fridays 8:00-10:15 pm

AleMo SQUARES – Brooklyn, NY

Alt. MS/PL - A tip

www.alemo.nnjsda.org

2 & 4 Sun. Sept-June Our Lady of Grace Church, 430 Ave. W at E. 3rd St, 11223
 Kathy Colucci: 718-375-1788 Cell for dance night: 917-699-2903

AleMo Squares had a grand New Year's Eve party with lots of food, music, and dancing. We had a ball. On January 9, we started our raid season by visiting Cross Trail Squares. They were excellent hosts.

February was filled with all sorts of fun. On February 2, we attended a major barn dance at our host church, Our Lady of Grace. Also, on the same date, another group of AleMos attended a Chuck Wagon dinner-dance hosted by caller Lee Kopman and his wife, Lilith. Lee was great, and Lilith did an excellent job leading the line dancing. Later in the month, on February 24, we held a very successful Chinese Auction/Dance. We look forward to a continued good season.

As *Grand Square* goes to press, we are all praying for our past president, Vincent Nunziato, for a rapid recovery from heart complications. We need you, Vince. You are the reason our raid program and classes have been so successful this season.

Walter Lasky (Bklynadv@aol.com)

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PL/RD - A tip

www.squaredancing.com/beesharps

2 & 4 Fri. Sept-May

Bound Brook United Meth. Church, 150 Union Ave.

Ken & Kathleen Heaphy: 908-526-4636

Cell for dance night: 908-763-0050

We have both a Mainstream and a Plus class running Monday evenings. In January, Jean and Bob Tekin, Donna and Ralph Serio, Joan and Bill Sevchuk, and Karen Van Ravenswaay graduated from Basic; they will be finishing Mainstream in June. Diane Coffman, Sharon Duncan, Sylvia and Bryan Fountain, Charyl Greenberg, Curtis Kraut, Barbara and John Marlowe, Alexis and Frank Sica, and Francesca and Wes Thielke graduated from Mainstream and are now learning the Plus program. Some of these dancers are attending club Mainstream dances.

We are partnering with the Flutterwheels for a special summer dance on Sunday, July 13 for new graduates, angels, and anyone else who would like to attend. There will be a pot luck lunch at 1:00 pm, followed by dancing until 5:00 pm at the Bound Brook United Methodist Church. The callers will be our teachers. There will be a number of terrific dancing opportunities this summer, especially for new dancers. In addition to the dances sponsored by the CCNJ and the NNJSDA, the Five Clubs will be hosting dances which alternate Mainstream and Plus.

Ad on page 11 Diana & Bob Cole (dianakcole2000@yahoo.com) 908-874-8117

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How does it apply to your Club? (Or does it??)

September 14, 2008 Delegates' Meeting Education Session

1:30-2:00 pm - Everyone Welcome - NOT just for Delegates

NJPAC – Tuesday, June 10

Still time to join the fun of the demo & "Movin' Out." Check flyers.



Middletown Ramblers

7:30-10:00 pm, Fridays
Croydon Hall, 900 Leonardville Avenue,
Leonardo, NJ 07733

Date	Caller	Comments
May 2	Howard Richman	
May 9	Wayne Applegate	
May 16	George Icenhower	
May 23	Rick Gittelman	National Caller
May 30	Joe Landi	
June 6	Betsy & Roy Gotta	
June 13	Don Coy	
June 20	Len Anfinson	
July 11	Jim Snyder	
July 18	Nick Martellacci	
July 25	Joe Landi	Barn Dance
Aug. 1	Glenn Matthew	
Aug. 8	Wayne Applegate	
Aug. 15	Jim Snyder	
Aug. 22	Dan Koft	Barn Dance
Sept. 5	Wayne Applegate	
Sept. 12	Joe Landi	
Sept. 19	Manny Amor	
Sept. 26	Len Anfinson	Open House -Thompson Park

Directions: GSP South to Exit 117. Rt. 36 approx. 8 miles to Leonardo State Marina u-turn (just past Academy Bus Depot). As you come out of the u-turn, make a right on Leonard Avenue. Proceed to stop sign and make a left on to Leonardville Road. Croydon Hall will be on the right hand side, just past the school parking lot. Turn right on the driveway between the stone posts. Dance hall is on the far left in the back of the complex.

Plus Club + Rounds

COST: Members \$3.00; Guests \$3.50 (refreshments are served)

NOTE: Hearing enhancement system available.

Ken Douglas 732-581-4361 Jeanne Gannon 732-872-2377
Betty Scharmann 732-291-1188

www.middletownramblers.org

[This is part of a series of articles highlighting people active in the NNJSDA.]

Joyce and Jim Kelly

From high school through an active retirement, Jim and Joyce Kelly have shared their lives, love, and laughter. They were introduced at a party as teenagers when Jim lived in Guttenberg and Joyce in nearby Cliffside Park, marrying two years later.

While raising three children (James, Michael, and Karen) in Lyndhurst, Jim was a manager at Economics Laboratories and Joyce worked at ITT Corporation. After moving to Bridgewater, Jim was a production manager at Magruder Color and Joyce was a secretary for the president of Ortho Pharmaceuticals. She later became a travel manager at AT&T, a job that took her to a number of other states and countries.



Joyce & Jim Kelly

Jim and Joyce were deeply involved with the children's activities, including their daughter's ice skating competitions and their sons' sports ("lots of fun and tears," said Joyce). When the children got older, the Kellys saw a square dance demo at a fair in Watchung and took lessons at Somerset Hills Squares in 1981. "Little did we realize that square dancing would change our lives," they noted.

Through dancing, Jim and Joyce met new friends. They visit many other clubs and have attended 24 national conventions to date, beginning with the Kentucky convention that drew 30,000 dancers. They've also danced in England, Hawaii, Canada, and Bermuda. "Our most memorable experience (although there were many) was in England," said Joyce. During the *tea* break, the English dancers learned that their visitors had taken the "underground" to the dance and insisted on driving them back to the hotel. On another occasion, they called a club in Washington, DC to confirm the dance location, and discovered the entire group was going to raid another club. The dancers invited the Kellys to join them for dinner and the raid. "We had a wonderful time with dancers we didn't know. This happens over and over again."

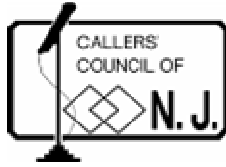
Jim and Joyce have tried to share that same good will in their own square dance work, which is considerable. They've been presidents, vice presidents, raid chairs, and class coordinators for Somerset Hills, Valley Squares, and Reelers. In the mid-1980s, they were vice presidents and presidents of the NNJSDA, initiating the honorary life member award and raids by the NNJSDA Board to member clubs. They have chaired four Mini-Festivals and have booked the hall for over 15 years.

The Kellys credit John and Mary Aquino with being their mentors. Still very active in the square dance world, Joyce and Jim also enjoy spending time with their children and seven grandchildren. "Having a wonderful family and great friends are the best things that have happened to us," said the Kellys. "See you in a square!"

Lise Greene

Have any Saltwater Taffy to Share?

Do you bring boxes of saltwater taffy back from the shore, but the sweets never get eaten? We'd like to put the Jersey treats on the NNJSDA exhibit table at the National Convention in Kansas for passersby to sample. If you can contribute taffy (from 2008 only, please), kindly give it to Lise Greene, NNJSDA 3rd Vice President for Publicity, no later than at the May 31 anniversary dance. Thank you!



The CCNJ hosted its annual class dance on February 24, 2008. We were very happy to have nine (count them, nine!) squares dancing for most of the afternoon. This tells me a couple of things. First, the hard work of many square dancers brought students to the clubs and then got the same students to venture out of the safe zone of their class to dance to callers other than their teacher. Second, there is great support from angels who came to the dance and danced with the students. This combination made for a lively, fun dance. Thanks to Ron Kapnick, CCNJ Vice President, who organized the dance, but did not call; to Ruth Edison, who provided lots of refreshments and hard work in the kitchen; to the callers, Gardner Patton, John Kaltenthaler, Fran Wadel, and Pat Push, who shared the calling duties with me; to the partners of the callers, Diana Patton, Freddie Kaltenthaler, Peg Millar, and Roy Gotta, who helped with filling in squares and with refreshments. Thanks to Sal and Mary Alessi, who handled the treasurer's table and filled in where needed.

Our callers' class has started the second series of sessions, and the participants are making great progress. Some of the experienced callers are sharing a tip with these new callers to help them get experience.

Overall, I am getting a feeling of hope that our beloved activity will continue in some way in Northern New Jersey. See you in a square!

Betsy Gotta, CCNJ President



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May 4	Mike Callahan, NY	July 20	Randy Dougherty, AZ
May 18	Mike Jacobs, NJ	Aug. 3	Sandra Bryant, IL
June 22	Rick Hampton, CA	Aug. 24	Keith Stevens, FL
June 29	John Steckman, PA	Sept. 7	Mike Jacobs, NJ
July 13	Ken Ritucci, MA	Sept. 14	John Steckman, PA

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For directions on night of dance, call 516-263-7701



NEW DANCERS, FRIENDS IN THE MAKING

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Bee Sharps - Diane Coffman, Sharon Duncan, Sylvia and Bryan Fountain, Charyl Greenberg, Curtis Kraut, Barbara and John Marlowe, Alexis and Frank Sica, Francesca and Wes Thielke

Belles & Beaux - Linda Chu, Kasey Clewell, Kristie Dodd, Leigh Dodd, Stephanie Fox, Bella Goldberg, Amy Golden, Benjamin Ingis, Joanne Ingis, Paul Ingis, Stephen Ingis, HaJa Lee, Cynthia Lightbody, C. H. Mok, Harriet Ormianer, Arlene Remington, Lydia Torres

Circle Eights - Jeanne and Ronald Graziano, Liz Knoll, Joan Manahan, Denise Ojeda
Hunterdon Flutterwheels - George Harvey, Anne Kriegl and Joseph Romelczyk, Joanna Lieuallen, Lynn and Ed McLaughlin, Beth Pandy, Ralph and Donna Serio, Bill and Joan Sevchuk, Candie Stanton, Kim and Les Tilly, Dorothy Weller

Lakeland Squares - Gill Collins, Fran De Palma-Iozzi, John Lu, Irene Michels, Judy Tibbits

Reelers - Gail and Bruce Cunningham, Helen Jacobson, Ken Shampanore

RocklandRockytops - Netty DelVecchio, Dave Dupas, Pat Hoffman, Judy Hoffmann, Grace Meyer, Fran Parise, Helen Rossler, Justin Warren, Del Wittenberg, Sophia Zawalick

Y Squares - Cynthia Marino, Joseph Ostrowski

Check the Cover and the Calendar of Advertised Dances!

Summer Dances are the best place to fine tune your dance skills,
meet other dancers, and have a *GREAT TIME!*

Wear your club name badge. It's an easy way to make friends.

Square up with experienced dancers. They're happy to lend a hand.

Square up close to the callers so they can more easily help you.

Listen carefully to the callers. Ask them for help between tips.

Take the adjacent hands at the end of every call to help reduce goofs.

When you do break down, and we all do, square up, heads slide to the right,
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Go out for ice cream and laugh about what a good time you had.

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Masqueraders - Judith Adler, Lucille and Bernie Armistead, April Cardinale, Linda and Marty DeVries, Nancy and Bob Hayden, Eleanor and David Letcher, Joan Rooney, Judy Sortore, George Sprenger

Reelers - Gail and Bruce Cunningham, Helen Jacobson, Ken Shampanore



BEE SHARPS OF SOMERVILLE

Early Rounds 7:30 PM

Alt MS/Plus Level Dancing w/ Rounds 8-10:30PM

**Advanced Tip at end of dance, if Advanced
dancers are present**

DANCES: May 2008 – November 2008

DATE	CALLER	CUER	THEME
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P=Plus Level; MS/P=alternating Mainstream & Plus

REGULAR DANCES 2008

May 9 Don Coy Mary McGee MS/P

May 23 Gerry Hardy Karen Kushla MS/P Red, White & Blue

Special summer dance for new graduates and other interested people

July 13 Gard Patton & Ed Kerns Pot luck lunch 1-2:30
Easy Mainstream 2:30-5:00pm

Sept 8, 15 & 22 Open house at Adamsville School, Bridgewater
Gardner Patton, Caller

Sept 12 Howard Richman Mary Pickett Plus

Sept 26 Dance with Y Squares Caller and Location TBA

Oct 10 Nick Martellacci Steve Bradt Plus

Oct 24 Mark Franks Tom Denniston & Ellen McCabe Plus

Nov 14 Betsy Gotta Roy Gotta Plus

Contacts: Vic & Nancy Ammons (908) 763-0050

Where: Bound Brook United Methodist Church
150 Union Avenue, Bound Brook
Hall Phone: (732) 356-1372

Directions:

From Route 22: Take Vosseller Ave exit to Bound Brook; left at light on Route 28. *Follow 2/10 mile to Livingston Ave. Make right onto Livingston & left into first driveway/church parking lot.

From Route 287 South: Take exit 13 for Route 28 Bound Brook/Somerville. Turn left at the light for Route 28 East. Proceed through 4 lights. After the 4th light (follow from * above).

From Route 287 North: Take exit 13A for Route 28 East, Bound Brook. Proceed through 3 lights. After the 3rd light (follow from * above).

**** Visit us at** www.squaredancing.com/beesharps ******

MOUNTAIN SQUARES

Joe Landi, Caller - A2 (Workshop as needed)

1st and 3rd Wednesdays Our Lady of Mercy Parish Center

7:45 - 10:00 pm

90 Whippany Road at Eden Lane

Mar. - June, Sept. - Dec.

3rd light off Rt. 10

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BELLES & BEAUX – Glen Rock

MS - PL tip

www.sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux

1 & 3 Wed. Sept-May

Central School, 600 S. Maple Ave., Glen Rock

1 & 3 Wed. June-Aug

VFW Hall, 6 Veterans Pl., Elmwood Park, 07407

Rosann Flynn: 201-385-3907

Cell for dance night: Audrey: 646-275-4970

Elvis was in the building... and so were Tennessee Ernie Ford, Patsy Kline, Lesley Gore, Jimmy Buffet, and a host of other artists. They were all present in spirit at Belles & Beaux' February 20 dance courtesy of Wayne Applegate's karaoke machine and several club members and guests who stepped up to the mike. Dave Stewart was particularly impressive (a little scary even) as he channeled The King on "I Can't Help Falling in Love with You." Ray Keywork delivered a passionate version of "Sixteen Tons," and Deb and Isabel Kool teamed up on "Crazy." Karen Berrie served up a helping of teenage angst on "It's My Party," while yours truly brought chants of "Salt! Salt!" from the Parrotheads in the group with his rendition of "Margaritaville." All in all it was a fun night, and we had five squares to share it.

There was more fun in April when Linda Millian presented another one of her theatrical productions, "The Cat Who Had a Sweet Tooth," at our annual Murder Mystery Dance. Linda's cast also included Richard Ball, Margaret Guyre-Kenter, Brenda Sherman, Doris Wilson, Ed Tripp, and the Berries.

May will bring another enjoyable Mystery Bus Raid coordinated by Richard and Rusty Ball, as well as our graduation dance to welcome Fran Wadel's latest crop of new dancers.

We're back in the air-conditioned comfort of the Elmwood Park VFW for the summer, so take a break from the heat and dance with us.

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Jim Berrie (jwb52351@msn.com)

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Western Wheelers Square Dance Club

Pre-Rounds 7:30 PM, Plus Dancing 8:00-10:30 PM, "A" After Tip 10:30 PM

Join us this Fall for fun and friendship as follows:

Sept. 20, Oct. 11, Oct. 25, Nov. 8, Nov. 22, Dec. 13, & NYE!

Have a Great Summer! See You in the Fall!

Info: Roger & Maria (201) 384-0334, or Ed & Rose (201) 768-8632

The Reformed Church of Oradell, Church Street @ Kinderkamack Rd, Oradell, NJ

Visit us at: www.sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers

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RocklandRockytops

Please note below the new format and timing for our Mainstream nights from June through October only. They include Public Introductory (ABC) Dances for one hour before the Mainstream dance. Angels are encouraged to attend these Introductory Dances.

PLUS	MAINSTREAM
First Friday - 8:00 to 10:15 PM (Third Friday in July & August)	Second Friday - 8:00 to 10:15 PM
DBD Workshop - 7:45 to 8:00 PM A-1 Aftertip - 10:15 to 10:30 PM	Public Introductory (ABC) Dance Second Friday - 7:30 to 8:30 PM Angels Encouraged to Attend
06/06/08 Roy Leber	06/13/08 Betsy Gotta
07/18/08 Howard Richman	07/11/08 Roy Leber
08/15/08 Roy Leber	08/08/08 Derek Page
09/05/08 No Dance	09/12/08 Chuck & Gerry Hardy
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Change of Location: We are again dancing at the Air Conditioned West Nyack Firehouse, 42 Strawtown Road, West Nyack, New York 10994.

Singles Welcome

From New York State Thruway:

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For further information:

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Northern New Jersey Round Dance Leaders Council

Welcome to the world of round dancing! The NNJRDLC is composed of cuers from New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania. "Thank you!" to our officers for jobs well done.

Our Spring Festival of Rounds, held March 9 at the Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church in Warren, NJ, featured an "all-request" program, which was very successful and enjoyed by all.

If you enjoy round dancing, the summer offers many opportunities to dance, from the many local clubs to the National Square and Round Dance Convention (in Wichita, Kansas this June). Check out this issue of the *Grand Square* for more information. Hope to see you (in) around!

Karen & Greg Kushla, Treasurers (kjkushla@aol.com) 973-593-8440

CIRCLE EIGHTS – Haworth

MS - PL tip

www.sqrdance.org/Circle8

4 Fri. Sept-June 1

Cong. United Church of Christ, 276 Haworth Ave.

The winter of 2008 was a busy one for Circle Eights. The new year brought four raids. On January 23, we raided Cross Trail Squares with 24 members. Not only did we bring three squares, but also three award-winning chefs for their bake-off. Richard Carpenter delighted the dancers with his homemade bread, Bob Bachmann appealed to all with his ambrosia, and Walt Churchill pleased the palates with his apple cake. All of the chefs received wooden spoons and the gratitude of the crowd for their efforts. We warmed up a cold winter's night dancing to Betsy Gotta. Our February raid was to Y Squares in Clark, NJ. Ten of our members enjoyed themselves dancing under the direction of Dan Koft. Our farthest raid took us 60 miles to dance with the Kittatinny Rangers to Charlie Kittner. Thirteen of our members joined in their "Pie Night" of pizza and dessert pies. In the month of April, Circle Eights raided RocklandRockytops.

Back on the home front, nine squares participated in our successful club dance in January. With its Super Bowl theme, many of the dancers donned football jerseys to dance to the calls of Dan Koft. Unfortunately, our Presidents' Dance was snowed out, but we came back with "Irish eyes smiling" and welcomed students to our March club dance with Don Coy calling.

Speaking of students, congratulations to our five new Mainstream graduates who were feted at a dinner and ceremony at their final session in April. In addition, congratulations go to six of our members who completed their Plus lessons with Andy Woerner, our club teacher. We are looking forward to seeing them practice their Plus moves at future dances.

The months ahead are promising to be filled with fun. Our May club dance with Mickey McFarland and our club Pot Luck Dinner will put us in a springtime mood. Our June Hawaiian Ice Cream Social with Howard Richman is a "cool" way to start the summertime. We might even squeeze in another raid!

Happy summer to all!

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Jeanne Weisman (Kreider99@aol.com)

201-722-0488

In Memoriam

Wilson Hoff, Caller

We are deeply saddened to inform you that Wilson Hoff passed away. During more than 50 years of calling, he was also a teacher who touched many of our lives.

Wilson was born in 1919 and raised on a farm in Woodsville, NJ. He married Sarah (who went by Sally) and they had a son, Walter. Wilson was a farm manager in various locations and was active in the Grange, a farmers' organization. In 1948, the Hoffs began traditional-type square dancing at their local grange.

In 1952, the same year Wilson switched careers by taking a position with Johns-Manville as a machine operator, he offered square dance lessons to 20 children ages 9 to 16 and started a 15-year stint of calling for adult traditional square dances at different granges. The music was provided by a live five-man band in which Wilson played bass. Though he developed a lung condition due to the asbestos in his work area, Wilson found that square dance calling actually helped his lungs.

In 1963, the Hoffs took modern western square dance lessons in Harding Township. Four years later, Wilson took calling lessons in the new style. He became a member of CALLERLAB and started teaching for Warren Wheelers and Reelers in 1968, later adding Bee Sharps and Hunterdon Flutterwheels, a club that Wilson founded. The Hoffs danced through A1 and also learned round dancing, but he taught only Mainstream and Plus. Sally died in 1989.

At a Lakeland Squares dance in 1993, Wilson met a widow who was also named Sally. They married in 1994. Despite Wilson's health problems, including bouts of pneumonia and two heart surgeries, the Hoffs stayed active. He led the Flemington Golden Squares senior citizen club until two years ago, and continued calling for seniors in Glen Gardner until December 2007. In addition to dancing, they bowled at least twice a week with the Spicy Seniors in Frenchtown. They also enjoyed pinochle and hand-and-foot. "I kept track," said Sally. "We played 2,004 games during our marriage. The night before Wilson went into the hospital for the last time, we tied."



Wilson Hoff

Gardner Patton, a square dance teaching colleague, noted that Wilson was passionate about dancing. "He converted his garage into a square dance hall *with heat and air conditioning* and parked his car outside." Also, said Gardner, Wilson "would call a dance even when he was in so much pain that he could hardly climb the stairs to the stage. He loved square dancing and the dancers, and they loved him."

Peggy and Steve Koehler of Bee Sharps said that many of their happiest times have been made possible because of Wilson's love for people and square dancing. Ken and Kathleen Heaphy, Bee Sharps presidents, also felt lucky to be among Wilson's students. "He had a great sense of humor, was kind and patient," said Ken. He added: "It is quite fair to say that he changed the lives of hundreds of people. Instead of sitting home watching TV, we are now dancing and enjoying exercise, good music, and fellowship. Wilson truly left this world a better place. Thank you, Wilson." As two of Wilson's students, Mark and I say "Amen."

Lise Greene

CROSS TRAIL SQUARES – Caldwell

Alt. MS & PL

www.crosstrailsquares.org

2 & 4 Wed. Sept-June **Grover Cleveland Middle School, 36 Academy Rd., 07006**
Alice DeLancey: 973-618-9025 Cell for dance night: 973-420-7179

Even though a number of our club members head south for the winter, our dances have been well attended with as many as eight squares on the floor. Thanks for visiting us; we love seeing you! Old Man Winter was kind to us this year with only one dance canceled due to the weather. In 2008, Cross Trail Squares is celebrating its 40th anniversary as a club. At the time of writing this article, we are excitedly looking forward to a special dance in April with Tim Marriner calling.

We had our first, but certainly not our last, Men's "Bake-Off" contest in January called "Men in Aprons." There were over two dozen entries from our club as well as other clubs. The judges not only evaluated the entries but had to keep shooing away dancers looking to sample the goodies before the judging was completed! Once the judges finished their work, the tables were surrounded by hungry dancers trying to get their hands on cakes, pastries, and other goodies. All entrants received a prize which included wooden cooking spoons, pot holders, and a special apron. Check our website for pictures from the event.

We have already completed our 2007/2008 raid schedule with the final raid to Hunterdon Flutterwheels in early February. A fun evening was had by an enthusiastic group which included many newer dancers. If you've never danced at Flutterwheels, you need to check out their location. It's like dancing in a mountain lodge, complete with a fireplace!

We currently have seven students including several teens taking lessons on Tuesday nights. We are looking forward to their graduation by the end of the school year.
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ABC Dance gives potential dancers a chance to dance after classes start.

F.A.D. SQUARES – Paramus

MS - PL tip

1 & 3 Sun. All Year **St. Matthews Church, 167 Spring Valley Rd., 07652**
Chris. O'Connor: 201-797-6145

As our name "Fun at Dancing" indicates, we do have fun at our club. Thanks to all our members, all the other dancers who visit us faithfully, and all the clubs who have raided us. Our attendance has grown, and we almost always have four squares. The great callers we have make Mainstream interesting and "fun."

On Valentine's Day, everyone got a special heart to wear.

We want to make special mention of our new members: Carol Freemyer, Jim VanRensailer, Pauline DuBois, Rhoda Lieberman, and Alice DeLancey.

Of course, we have to thank our president, Chris. O'Connor, otherwise known as the "Pillsbury Doughboy" since Halloween, for all the great tasting homemade goodies he makes for every dance.

It is with a sad heart that I report Marj Gould, of F.A.D. and Belles & Beaux, passed away on March 16 after a long illness. Marj was a kind person, a great angel, and a joy to know. She and her husband, Warren, are past presidents of our club.

If you want good food, great callers, and FUN, please join us anytime.

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Doris Wilson

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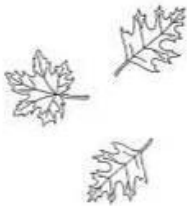
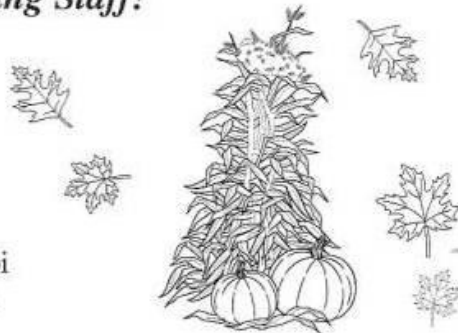
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Harmony Dancers' Farewell Dance

Saturday, May 3 Pre-rounds **7:30**, Plus squares **8-10:30 pm**

HARMONY DANCERS – Springfield

PL/RD - A tip

www.harmonydancers.nnjsda.org

1 & 3 Sat. Sept-May Chisholm Rec. Center, 100 S. Springfield Ave. & Shunpike
Leo & Corinne Eckmann: 973-379-3901 Zip Code **07081**

I believe the 15th Anniversary Harmony Dancers, Inc. Club Booklet summed things up quite well:

“In 1988, Hindy and Joe Kaspar, then presidents of Somerset Hills Square Dance Club, became concerned with the on-going loss of members and guests attending the club’s dances. One evening, after a dance, Hindy and Joe discussed their concern with caller Brian Fugere and learned that, indeed, other clubs had similar concerns. Somerset Hills’ Board of Trustees 1989 approved contacting other area clubs. This outreach resulted in the merger by May 1989 of Somerset Hills, a club of 25 years, Dancing Squares, a club of 40 years, and Hill City, a club of 35 years. Representatives from each club comprised a new executive board for the new club, Harmony Dancers, Inc.

Harmony Dancers is a compilation of the efforts of many dancers, callers, and cuers. Square dancing needs them all and requires that they work together. The Club thanks YOU for taking an active part and for helping to make Harmony Dancers a success.

But a club does not run on dancers, callers, and cuers alone; behind the scenes are those who make the club go. They prepare and distribute flyers, handle refreshments, make and put up decorations, hold office, go on raids, march in parades, and put together club histories. Many of the jobs we do are not recognized but are an integral part of the puzzle. Harmony Dancers takes this opportunity to thank our members and friends for their pride, and the time and effort that was provided.”

May 3 will be Harmony Dancers’ last dance. We thank our members and friends for supporting our club and making square dancing *FUN*.

Leo & Corinne Eckmann, Past Presidents

Ad on page 18 Leo Eckmann (leo.j.eckmann@verizon.net) 973-379-3901

HIX & CHIX – Elmwood Park, NJ

PL/RD - A tip

www.hixchix.nnjsda.org

Thurs. Special Dances June-Aug VFW Hall, 6 Veterans Pl., 07407
John & Connie Huettemann, Jr.: 201-438-0948

Since Hix & Chix has been idling through the winter while our esteemed leaders, John and Connie Huettemann, were enjoying sunny Florida, we have no dance activities to report.

However, the passing of Joe Passaro in January has left a void in our ranks. Even when he could no longer dance, he came to watch and talk. Many of us have personal reminders of his wood-working skills such as square dance couples, cutting boards, and napkin holders that we received as gifts or prizes. Thank you, Joe.

Remember to watch for our Summer Specials flyers!

Ad on page 55 Dick & Brenda Dexter (bdexter@ups.com) 201-529-3372

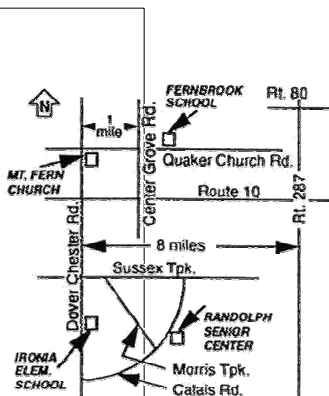


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05/16	Roy Leber	Roy Gotta
06/06	John Kaltenthaler Pot Luck	Roy Gotta
09/19	Roy Leber Friendship Dance	Mary Pickett
10/03	Ken Ritucci	Mary Pickett
10/17	Joe Landi	Mary Pickett
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HUNTERDON FLUTTERWHEELS – Stanton Station Alt. MS & PL
www.hunterdonflutterwheels.nnjssda.org

1 & 3 Fri. Sept-June Echo Hill Park Lodge, 41 Lilac Dr., 08822
Joe Kwiatek & Donna Besignano: 908-526-7496 Cell for dance night: 908-672-0372

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our beloved square dance caller, teacher, and friend, Wilson Hoff. He started the Hunterdon Flutterwheels back in 1972 and only recently retired as a caller after 54 years. He enriched the lives of so many people through square dancing over the years. Wilson was a faithful husband to his wife, Sally, a wonderful father, a jokester, and an avid card player. He will be missed.

On a happier note, it was our pleasure to introduce square dancing to 50 people at our Open House on February 10. Our class on Sunday afternoons has three squares dancing, with everyone doing well and having fun. A thank you goes out to all the angels for their help with the class.

Cross Trail Squares raided us in February with two squares. Thank you!

Any time you are in our area on the first and third Fridays, please join us for good dancing and good fellowship. The food's not bad either, and the wood floor is spectacular. See you there!

Ad on page 5 Peg & Fred Bailey (pegfredb@comcast.net) 908-574-5095

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Glen Rock, NJ 07452	Elmwood Park, NJ 07407	Mainstream

Belles & Beaux Grad/Summer 2008

May 7	Fran Wadel	Graduation
May 21	Nasser Shukayr (TX)	Texas You & Me
June 4	Howard Richman	Between the Tips
June 18	Wayne Applegate	SMILE – Get a dangle
July 2	Roy Leber	Christmas in July
July 16	Wayne Applegate	Be a Clown - Get a dangle
August 6	Ron Kapnick	Vacation T Shirt
August 20	Wayne Applegate	Are You Game?
September 3	Howard Richman	ABC Dance – bring non dancers
September 17	Wayne Applegate	Some Like It Hot

Info – Rosann (201) 385-3907 Grandsquare1@aol.com

www.sqrdance.org/BellesBeaux Night of dance (646) 275-4970

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As always, a big thank you to the many angels who have been faithfully helping out. A number of our 2007 fall graduates have been regularly attending numerous dances throughout the area, including the CCNJ dances. They have also participated in quite a few raids.

Check our website for our calendar, directions, club contact information, and lots of photos. Come and join us!

Ad on page 37 Betsy & Dan Tapper (*webhost@crosstrailsquares.org*)

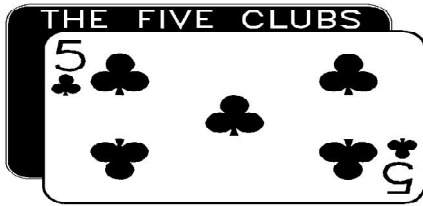
Poster/Flyer Contest Winners

We are pleased to report that nine excellent entries were received in the 2008 Poster/Flyer Contest. The NNJSDA Executive Board members reviewed the submissions at their March meeting and were very impressed with the creativity of the square dance community.

Margaret Kenter of Belles & Beaux was awarded first place and will receive a special dangle. Her entry will be used on the cover of the September *Grand Square* and prepared as a poster/flyer for clubs to use in advertising their fall classes.

Bill Smythe of Bee Sharps won second and third place for two of his entries. They, and the other entries, may be used by the NNJSDA for future advertising.

Thank you to all the square dancers who participated in the contest.



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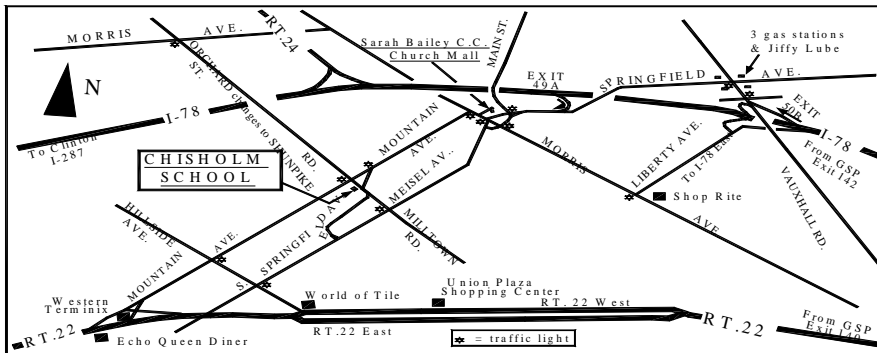
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7:30 Pre-Rounds, 8-10:30 PM Squares & Rounds

Date	Program	Caller	Cuer
7-Jun	ALT.MS/PL	Rick Gittelman (AZ)	Steve Bradt
21-Jun	ALT.MS/PL	Jim Snyder	Ellen McCabe
5-Jul	ALT.MS/PL	Roy Leber	Dave Roberts
19-Jul	ALT.MS/PL	Joe Landi	Karen Kushla
2-Aug	ALT.MS/PL	Ken Ritucci	Mary McGee
16-Aug	ALT.MS/PL	Mike Jacobs	Karen Kushla



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Dance Date/Time

**Friday, October 31
8:00 - 10:30 pm**

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Map on page 52**

Inquiries

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Kittatinny dancers are working to make up for lost weather sessions. President Bob Leshnower has led a movement to dance often with the Reelers so we can join friends there to polish up our new Plus skills.

We're hoping to influence newcomers such as Alice Vealey's great-granddaughter and Donna Poyer's first girl grandchild to join our cult. It just might take a few decades to get them!

We invite you veteran Plus dancers to join us to support us as we work to excel. We're a fun-loving, hospitable bunch, and we're easy to find at the Florence Burd School on the Newton-Sparta Road, second and fourth Fridays.

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Marilyn Chapman (marichap@nac.net)

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Various Tuesdays

Paramus Senior Center - 93 Farview Avenue, Paramus, NJ

Challenge Dancing: C2 - 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. C1 - 8 P.M. to 10 P.M.

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6 Ed Foote -
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6:30 Potluck, 7:45 Dance
13 Chuck Hardy
20 Howard Richman
27 Rick Gittelman (*Arizona*)

June 2008

3 NO DANCE
10 NO Dance – *NJPAC Square Dance*
17 Betsy Gotta
24 Jim Snyder

July 2008

1 Derek Page
8 Mickey McFarland –
15 Dan Koft
22 Joe Landi
29 Barn Dance – Howard Richman -
Open to the public – Bring your friends!

August 2008

We don't dance in August – Have a
great Summer!

September 2008

2 No Dance
9 Dennis Reardon
16 Gerry Hardy
23 Joe Landi
30 Barn Dance – Howard Richman -
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October 2008 *

7 NO DANCE
14 Jim Snyder
21 NO DANCE
28 Don Coy

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PLUS (except as noted) Pre-rounds: 7:30 pm - Squares: 8:00-10:30 pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Cuer</u>
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(First and Third Fridays)

May 2	CINCO DE MAYO	Roy Leber	Ron Rumble
May 16	Annual Meeting Hi/Lo	Mark Franks	Ron Rumble

June – August No Dances Enjoy the Summer!

Sept. 5	Ice Cream Social Hi/Lo	TBA	TBA
Sept. 19		TBA	TBA

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Call: Rich Delgado 609-844-1140 (richd1squarerounddancer@msn.com)
or Elaine Hart 609-575-1890

Colleges Are Square Dancing: Square Dancing as a College Course

(Inspired by an article in the *Chicago Tribune* December 10, 2007.)

About 1 million people worldwide perform some form of modern square dancing. While many are drawn by the camaraderie, there are others who are intrigued by the underlying mathematical concepts. Our activity has something for everyone. It spans from one nighters, open houses, and ABC Dance, which use approximately 20 calls, through Challenge 4, which incorporates nearly 1,000 calls and 100 “concepts.”

At its highest and most complicated levels, puzzle lovers, engineers, and computer and math geeks dominate the ranks. It is, therefore, no surprise that square dance clubs at Stanford University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology are thriving. MIT’s club, Tech Squares, teaches its class the Basic, Mainstream, and Plus calls in weekly lessons from September through December.

In Naperville, IL, North Central College’s fledgling club, the Square Roots, has a different recruiting tool: offering square dancing as a college course! David Schmitz, a math professor at the college, has square danced for more than a decade. Like many square dancers, he worries about recruiting new dancers, and so he pitched a three-week course to college officials in hopes of exposing young people to an activity that lured him when he was a graduate student. Generally, those who signed up for the course were math, science, or computer majors.

Allie Hays’ friends had a good laugh when they heard about the class she had signed up for at North Central: Mathematics of Square Dancing. Hays thought it was

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The Gathering

Soaring into Square Dancing's Future

September 27, 2008 * 12 noon-10 pm

Douglass College Campus Center
100 George Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

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Business card, scanned as a Word document (\$18)

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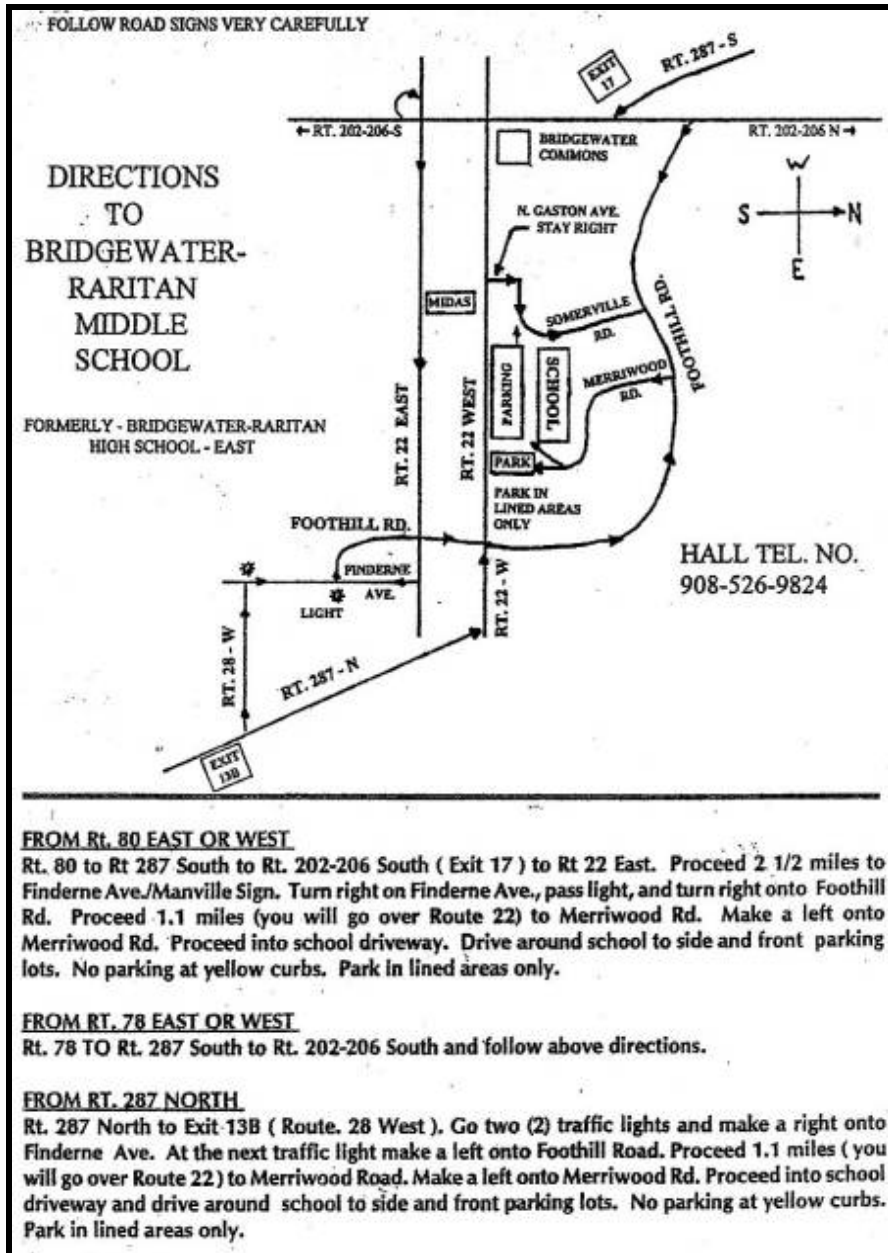
Wallet Cards –

Club and NNJSDA Quick Reference Information

The Reelers have a "wallet card" that is printed back-to-back on card stock for each dance season. One side provides information on the club's dance location, times, and schedule. The other side has contact information for each club officer *and* the NNJSDA dance schedule.

The current card is about 5" x 2½". If you would like an electronic sample that can be adapted for your club's use, please email lise.greene@montclair.edu.

Map to the Mini-Festival



NORTHERN NEW JERSEY SQUARE DANCERS

34th ANNUAL

MINI - FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2008

2:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Tentative Location: Bridgewater-Raritan Middle School
Bridgewater, New Jersey

BOB BAIER

Texas

Tom Miller/Betsy Gotta

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

Rounds by:

Pete & Mary McGee

Pennsylvania

Star Promenade – Square Dance Shop from Virginia

**** 3 Halls - MS, Plus, Advanced ****

Dinner Hour: ½ Hour C1 and Rounds by Request

Bring box supper or eat out / No cooking or warming devices

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Info: Donna Poyer & Mike Szekula 908-852-9285

Kay Davis 973-697-7765

Cell # for Day of Festival 908-619-2296 or 908-319-9412

LIGHT Soft Sole Shoes ONLY – NO Boots Allowed

Check www.NNJSDA.org for latest updates and hall location

Mail to: Kay Davis, 23 Woodland Drive, Oak Ridge, NJ 07438

Name(s) _____ Club _____

☐ **Single – Would like a dance partner** (prefer to dance MS, Plus or Advanced – circle one)

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone () _____ Email _____

Advanced Remittance - \$15 per person _____ \$ _____ \$18 per person at the door

1st Time Badge \$2.25 Each _____ \$ _____

2008 Bar \$0.75 Each _____ \$ _____

TOTAL _____ \$ _____

Program Level (Please Circle) Square Dance: MS PL Advanced Rounds: II III IV V
(GS)

LAKELAND SQUARES – Montville

MS - PL tip

www.squaredancing.com/lakeland

Every Tues. Sept-July

Senior House, 356 Rt. 202 (Main Rd.) 07045

Monte & Janet Montagnino: 973-546-3092

Cell for dance night: 973-610-8218

Lakeland Squares will be shifting its regular dance nights to twice a month, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, beginning in October, 2008. Check the *Grand Square* fall issue for our September transition schedule. We will schedule a barn dance on most 5th Tuesdays, starting with September's. We will list each open house in our *Grand Square* ad, so keep an eye out.

In January, we enjoyed our third annual club dinner, a Chinese banquet chaired by Jessica Wu. She arranged with the restaurant proprietor for an unusual and delicious assortment of oriental dishes. This was a highlight of a cold mid-winter month.

In April, we graduated five dancers: Gill Collins, Fran De Palma-Iozzi, John Lu, Irene Michels, and Judy Tibbits. We welcome them to our square dance family.

Ad on page 23 Jim & Catherine Douglas (jmdouglas35@verizon.net) 973-338-7787

TENAKILL TWIRLERS

Bryan School—Cresskill, NJ 07626

51 Brookside Ave.

3rd Fri.—Mainstream with 1 Plus tip

*** Squares 8:00 to 10:30 ***

MAY 16 ---- JIM SNYDER

Pres. Gloria Fodera -----V.P. Geo./Fanny Meyer

201-385 8869

201-385 3263

MASQUERADERS – Hightstown

PL/RD

www.nnjsda.org

1 & 3 Fri. Sept-May

First Baptist Church, 125 S. Main St., 08520

Rich Delgado: 609-844-1140

Cell for dance night: 609-203-0127, 609-575-1890

We are happy that we did not have to cancel any dances due to snow. Our attendance has increased lately thanks to our new dancers as well as some experienced dancers who had not been to our club dances for quite some time.

Have you ever wondered what it is like to be Club President? Our Fifties dance on February 1 was an interesting night. The day was very windy and rainy, but I did not cancel the dance because the forecast was for the weather to improve during the evening. Driving home from work, my car was pelted with very heavy rain, and colder temperatures were approaching. I received an email from our club secretary asking if we should make Roy and Betsy Gotta drive down in the awful weather. Oh, boy! It was too late to cancel at that time; people would already be on their way to the dance! I picked up Elaine Hart, the club vice president, and she wondered if we would get a square. I was relieved to see that by the time Betsy started calling, we had two squares on the floor. The weather did indeed break, as predicted, and dancers continued arriving until after 9 pm. We even had three squares dancing! Our

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Central New Jersey Square Dance Association

Square Dance for Relay for Life

May 17, 2008

2-5 pm

Central Regional Middle School

Bayville, NJ (just off GS Parkway Exit # 77)

Dan & Kathy Koft, Calling & Cueing

Mainstream & Plus

New Graduates Welcome

Tickets are \$6.00 per person contact Bonnie & Ed at
eandbcrowley@aol.com or after 7pm 609-242-3468

Our member clubs are:

Crestwood Promenaders dance Thursdays at 7:30 at Unity Hall, Schoolhouse Rd., Whiting Contact George @ 609-242-1881 or email ellobo1@verizon.net

D&R Squares dance Sundays at 7:30 @ Farmingdale Community Center, Asbury Ave, Farmingdale Contact Doug @ 732-938-5385 or email kauffmanfarms@msn.com

Pine Square Campers various times & places Contact Bonnie @ 609-242-3468 after 7pm or pinesquarecampers.org

Middletown Ramblers dance Fridays at 7:30 @ Croydon Hall, Leonardo Contact Betty @ 732-291-1188 or
www.middletownramblers.org

Shore Swingers dance First & Third Mondays at 8 @ Community Center, Ocean Road, Spring Lake Heights contact Fred @ 732-892-0303 or email jmartinziegler@aol.com

Star Thru Squares dance every Friday Sept-June when school is open, at 8 @ Spruce Street School, Spruce St., Lakewood, contact Manny @ 732-364-5438 or email
mannyamor@verizon.net

Come join us. Call us for more information.

All dancers are welcome!

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www.57nsdc.com

MIDDLETOWN RAMBLERS – Leonardo

PL

www.middletownramblers.org

Every Fri. All Year

Croydon Hall, 900 Leonardville Rd., 07737

Ron & Virginia Daggett: 732-741-4627

We have enjoyed some exciting additions to our callers list. Nick Martellacci, a caller who hails from Brooklyn, did the honors at our Valentine's Day dance. It was the first time in Ramblers' history that we had the pleasure of his company, and there was probably a little nervousness on both sides as to its outcome. I'm delighted to say (especially since I'm in charge of hiring the callers) that Nick was a hit. His unique musical stylings, easy pace, and dry wit kept the fun going. Nick will be back in July, 2008 and in 2009.

Two weeks later we had the pleasure of dancing to the wonderful music and calling of Mike Jacobs at our 2008 Leap Year Dance. Like Nick, it was the first time Mike called at Ramblers. With luck and a not inconsiderable amount of persistence, it will hopefully not be the last.

Between May and September we have a really strong program studded with winners. For complete details, go to www.middletownramblers.org.

Remember that we dance every Friday, even during the summer. So if your club is on hiatus during this time, know that you will be warmly welcomed when you come down to Croydon Hall in Middletown, New Jersey. We hope to see you there.

Ramble on!

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Jeanne Gannon (jmg52@comcast.net)

732-872-2377

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dancers were relieved to have a dance to attend after being cooped up, and I was satisfied that I had allowed them a chance to enjoy themselves.

We look forward to our May dances, our summer break, and the resumption of club dances on September 5.

Ad on page 26 Rich Delgado (richd1squarerounddancer@msn.com) 609-844-1140

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MONDAY SUMMER DANCE SCHEDULE
C-1 7-8 PM A-2 8-10 PM
*****AIR CONDITIONED HALL*****

DATE	CALLER	
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JUNE 23	BOB STERN	FL
JUNE 30	MIKE JACOBS	NJ
JULY 7	RED BATES	FL
JULY 14	NORM POISSON	MA
JULY 21	RANDY DOUGHERTY	AZ
JULY 28	TODD FELLEGEY	CT
AUGUST 4	SAUNDRA BRYANT	IL
AUGUST 11	GLENN MATTHEW	DE
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www.johnaquino.com/JoePassaroSD.wmv

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A2/C1

www.members.aol.com/jamsqs/motiv8ors.html

Various Sun.

VFW Hall, 6 Veterans Pl., 07407

Chariss Smith & Carl Luhrs: 201-489-2498

Motiv8ors and the NNJSDA mourn the loss of our dear friend and fellow square dancer, Joe Passaro, at the age of 91. With his genuine warmth, he was a friend to everyone. Although Joe was no longer dancing, one would frequently spot his big smile when he stopped by at square dances. Joe was a member of Hix & Chix for over 25 years. He was also a member of Cloverleafs and a charter member of J&M Squares, the precursor of Motiv8ors. A desire to celebrate Joe's 90th birthday was the inspiration for our club's group birthday/anniversary party in December, 2006. Joe will forever be remembered as the designer and builder of the NNJSDA carousel, which is displayed at our Mini-Festivals and the National Square Dance Conventions each year. May Joe rest in peace in square dance heaven. To view a video lovingly made by John Aquino in memory of Joe, go to www.johnaquino.com/JoePassaroSD.wmv.

We welcome Scott Thompson back to New Jersey after a half year in Israel, learning Hebrew and working on a kibbutz. As much as he enjoyed his time there, he missed his square dancing. A mere two weeks later, his parents, Jan and Louis, traveled to Israel for an amazing two-week vacation.

We extend best wishes to Dot Ferine as she recovers from an infection at an old hip surgery site and a recent hip replacement surgery. We are looking forward to her once again joining us on the square dance floor.

We always book a variety of talented and entertaining callers. Then, our appreciative dancers complete the formula for a fun evening of square dancing. It is only with a healthy attendance that Motiv8ors can continue to offer top-notch Advanced and Challenge dancing in northern New Jersey throughout the year. For dancing that promises to have something for everyone, come to Motiv8ors. Remember: Our hall is air-conditioned, a definite plus during the summer months.

Ad on page 9 Jan & Louis Thompson (LTPT1@yahoo.com) 732-577-9413

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June 15	No Dance- Father's Day
July 6	Mickey McFarland
July 20	Jim Snyder
August 3	Pat Push
August 17	Wayne Applegate
September 7	Roy Leber
September 21	Don Coy
October 5	Dan Koft
October 19	Betsy Gotta
November 2	Dennis Reardon
November 16	Ed Foote
December 7	Nick Martellacci
December 21	Andy Woerner

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A2

www.nnjsda.org

1 & 3 Wed. Sept-Dec, Mar-June

Lady of Mercy Parish Center

Hilda & Bill Groth: 973-746-0656

90 Whippany Rd. at Eden Lane, 07981

We returned from our winter break on March 5, and I am happy to report that we had more than four squares of dancers even with a number of our members still in Florida.

Congratulations to Peggy Koehler who became a flower show judge a year ago. She has to continually enter flower shows and earn blue ribbons to keep her status. In the New Jersey Flower and Garden Show on February 14, she took several blue ribbons in both Horticulture and Design. Peggy is currently president of the local Bridgewater Garden Club which participates in decorating the Governor's Mansion for the Christmas holidays. She is also a district director for the Garden Clubs of New Jersey. There are over 100 clubs in the state.

Joe Landi told us about his month in Florida with his camper. He visited many snow birds and had a great time.

Ad on page 12 Paula & Roy Lawrence (rlawr3@earthlink.net) 973-726-9463

REELERS (Ironia) – Randolph

PL/RD

www.ironiareelers.nnjsda.org

1 & 3 Fri. Sept-June

Ironia Elem. School, Dover-Chester Rd. (Rt. 513) 07869

Jim & Joyce Kelly: 908-658-4271

Tom & Arlene Simansky: 973-984-0009

Cell for dance night: 201-602-7843, 908-963-2638

The Reelers had a graduation for their Mainstream class at the regular dance on March 7. We were happy to have Rosann Flynn, 2nd Vice President of the NNJSDA, there to tell our students about the Association. She also gave them packets with more information.

While our class was small, all our students were eager to learn and have already started their Plus lessons, so ably taught by Fran Wadel. Thanks to Bear and Av Brady for being Class Coordinators. They have worked hard and have done a great job. We also appreciate those members who have been angels these past months.

If you know anyone who missed our classes and might like to learn to dance, bring them to our Friendship Dance on September 19 free of charge. Our Mainstream classes will start a few days later on Tuesday, September 23.

Also attending our graduation were 23 enthusiastic dancers from Kittatinny Rangers. It was great fun dancing with you, and we promise we will return the raid. The Reelers once again expect to complete the Association's raid program. We have enjoyed visiting your clubs, and we invite you to come and dance with us at ours.

Everyone enjoyed our President and Pie Night Dance on February 15. Who doesn't love pie? We still have our Ice Cream Night, and then we look forward to our Pot Luck Supper on June 6.

Ad on page 19 Frank & Ruth Pagano (Pag1060@ptd.net) 973-827-3134

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Caldwell, NJ 07006

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INFO: Alice DeLancey 973 618-9025

Ron Kapnick 973 857 8879

At the hall 973 420-7149

FORMAT: ALTERNATING MAINSTREAM AND PLUS

Apr 9 Roy Leber

Pie Night

** Apr 20 Tim Marriner

40th Anniversary Dance **

at Scottish Rite, Lincoln Park **

Apr 23 NO DANCE School Closed – Spring Break

May 14 Ron Kapnick Graduation

May 28 Rick Gittelman Red, White and Blue

June 11 Jim Snyder Ice Cream Social

Closed for the summer

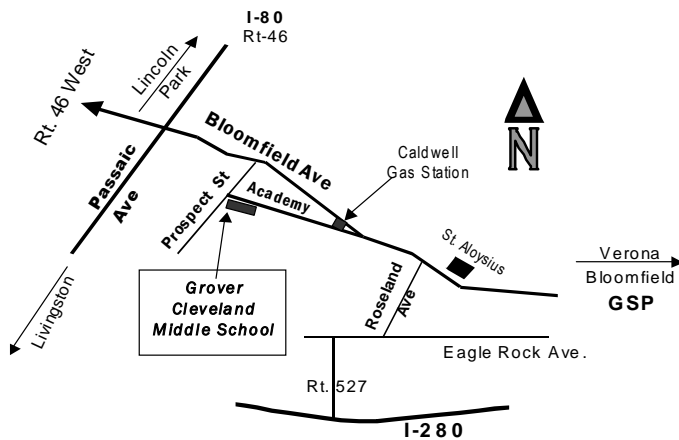
Sept 10 Betsy Gotta Square'm Up

Sept 24 Wayne Applegate Apple Mania

Oct 08 Jim Snyder "Leaf" Your Worries Behind

Oct 22 Nick Martellacci Halloween Dance

** See Flyers for more details.



ROCKLANDROCKYTOPS – West Nyack, NY

www.sqrdance.org/RocklandRockytops

MS – 2 Fri. All Year

PL/ A1 tip – 1 Fri. Oct-June

PL/ A1 tip – 3 Fri. July-Aug

West Nyack Firehouse

42 Strawtown Road, 10994

Laurie & Barry Schoenhaut: 845-268-3183

Cell for dance night: 914-262-8009

RocklandRockytops is happy to welcome our new Mainstream graduates: Netty DelVecchio, Dave Dupas, Pat Hoffman, Judy Hoffmann, Grace Meyer, Fran Parise, Helen Rossler, Justin Warren, Del Wittenberg, and Sophia Zawalick. Most of these enthusiastic new dancers have already attended several student dances and are looking forward to honing their new skills at club dances. Of course, all have a life outside of square dancing – Justin is employed by the NY Giants champion football team and was thrilled to go with his team to Arizona in February for the Super Bowl!

We were pleased to have seven squares, including 14 students, at our student dance in February. Fran Wadel, teacher exemplar of our class, was the caller and provided the novice dancers with a fun-filled evening. Many thanks to all the angels who attended as well.

Nine squares was the total attendance at our March dance. That included not only many Hudson Valley dancers since it was our HV Dance of the Month, but also a much-appreciated raid from NJ's Lakeland Squares.

This summer we once again will be dancing in air-conditioned comfort at our regular location, the West Nyack Firehouse. Plus dances will be held on third Fridays, while Mainstream dances will continue on second Fridays.

Also on our agenda, due to their success last year, will be introductory dances for newcomers from 7:30 to 8:30 prior to our Mainstream dances in June through October. These evenings allow non-dancers to experience the joys of square dancing and hopefully encourage them to sign up for our next class in the fall. So, spread the word to your family and friends, and bring them down to RocklandRockytops.

Have a great summer! See you in a square!

Ad on page 13 Joan Schierlitz (dancinggrandma@verizon.net) 845-353-2987

RUTGERS PROMENADERS – North Brunswick

MS/RD

www.rutgerspromenaders.org

1 & 3 Sun. Sept-June

American Legion, 1015 Linwood Pl., 08902

Ken Robinson: 908-963-2447

Our Toys for Kids dance in December went on successfully despite less than ideal weather conditions. Many thanks to all those who braved the elements, especially the raiding Y Squares. We even had a "part 2" at our next dance where we provided another opportunity for those who chose not to fight the elements to donate toys for a great cause. Proceeds were forwarded to a local organization, St. Peter's Family Care Center.

We were also treated to a raid from Brooklyn's AleMo Squares (22 dancers strong!) at our last dance in February. With the continuing rise in gas prices, the dedication and spirit shown by clubs who coordinate and hold raids can't be underestimated. Thank you, AleMo, for your enthusiastic support!

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Shore Swingers Present

Ken Bower

*International Caller from
Palm Desert, California
and*

Roy Gotta

On Rounds

Point Pleasant Beach, NJ

Firehouse #1

Arnold Avenue next to the Post Office (off Route 35 North)

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

8:00 pm Sharp, Pre-rounds @ 7:30 pm

For Tickets or Directions Call

Fred 732-892-0303 or Joan 732-849-0553

Other dances are held at the Spring Lake Heights Community Center

Ocean Ave. and Ninth St., Spring Lake Heights, NJ

First and Third Mondays 8-10:30 pm, Year Round

Plus Level Club

SPINNING WHEELS – Oakland

MS/CW - PL tip

www.nnjsda.org

Every Mon. Sept-June

Dogwood Hills School (Sept-Dec. 15 & Apr-June)

25 Dogwood Drive, 07436

Valley Middle School (Dec. 22 & Jan-March)

71 Oak St, 07436

Dolores Gesumaria: 201-337-8365

Cell for dance night: 201-741-1154

This has been a really cold winter, but that has not deterred our loyal and devoted members and guests from other clubs from attending our dances. And why not? Spinning Wheels, a Mainstream club, is one of the very few clubs which still offer modern line dancing between tips as well as a Plus workshop at the beginning of each dance.

We are all looking forward to our 30th Anniversary Dance which will take place on Monday, October 20, from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm at the famous Brownstone House in Paterson, New Jersey. Everyone is invited to help our club celebrate this important milestone in the club's history. Contact our president, Dolores Gesumaria, at 201-337-8365 or our treasurer, Lorraine Murray, at 201-337-4542 for further details.

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Greg Fokszey (thegregster@verizon.net)

973-403-1854

Ad Makers and Reporters Alert

All deadlines are now the **7th** of the month: March, **July**, November.

July ad submissions should cover September through February.

Please include Canceled Dances in your cover letter.

TENAKILL TWIRLERS – Cresskill**MS - PL tip**www.sqrdance.org/Tenakill.Twirlers**3 Fri. Oct-May****Bryan School, 51 Brookside Ave., 07626**

Tenakill Twirlers invites all new Mainstream graduates to join us at our May 16 dance, the last of our 2007-2008 fun-and-friendship-filled square dance season. You will enjoy dancing with us to one of our favorite callers, Jim Snyder.

At our February dance, Howard Richman, another of our favorites, called to a lively floor of six squares. We welcomed raiders from Belles & Beaux and Western Wheelers, as well as a good representation from RocklandRockytops. Thank you to all our visitors for an impressive turnout.

We did not dance in March since our dance night fell on Good Friday. Our April dance, which has not taken place yet as of this writing, will feature another of our favorite callers, Dan Koft. I am sure that Dan and our square dance friends will make it another enjoyable and successful evening.

Congratulations to Fanny and George Meyer on the arrival of their first great-grandchild, a bouncing boy. Fanny reports that the new arrival is cute, cuddly, and contented, and is bringing them great joy.

We look forward to dancing with you in May. Then, we wish you a wonderful summer. Be sure to come back in October when Tenakill Twirlers begins the club's 58th season of our favorite activity, square dancing!

Ad on page 30 Joan Schierlitz (dancinggrandma@verizon.net) 845-353-2987

Thank You NNJSDA Host Clubs

for refreshments at the following 2008 dances:

March 29: **Reelers, RocklandRockytops**

July 9: **F.A.D., Lakeland Squares**

July 23: **Circle Eights, Rutgers Promenaders, Y Squares**

August 13: **Kittatinny Rangers, Middletown Ramblers,**

Tenakill Twirlers

August 27: **Belles & Beaux, Hunterdon Flutterwheels, Spinning Wheels**

WESTERN WHEELERS – Oradell**PL/RD - A tip**www.sqrdance.org/Western.Wheelers**2 & 4 Sat. Sept-April****Reformed Church of Oradell, 641 Church St., 07649**

Roger & Maria Hoernlein: 201-384-0334

Ed & Rose Spincken: 201-768-8632

Cell for dance night: 201-390-5123

Our New Year's Eve dance, co-sponsored with Circle Eights, was an absolutely fantastic event which featured Chuck and Gerry Hardy. It created a flashback to years past, when clubs enjoyed a larger dancer turnout. This year we were thrilled to host 103 attendees who enjoyed themselves before going home well fed, danced out, and happy. Bob Bachmann provided beautiful scenery to grace our stage. "Great job!" to all who worked so well together to coordinate this extraordinary celebration.

Our refreshment table has always been excellent, but now it is gourmet. What
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SQUARE DANCING FUN with the Kittatinny Rangers



2ND & 4TH FRIDAYS
7:30 - 10:00 PM
MAINSTREAM &
PLUS
(ALTERNATING)

DATE	CALLER	THEME
May 9	Len Anfinson	Ice Cream Social
May 23*	Wayne Applegate	Pot Luck Supper**
July 17* & Aug. 14* (Thursdays)	<i>"Dancing Under the Stars"</i> <i>Outdoors at The Lord's Oasis, Budd Lake</i> <i>Potluck 6:00, Dance 7:30 with Wayne Applegate</i>	
Sept. 12	Wayne Applegate	Welcome Back
Sept. 26	Lucille Ims	Apple Picking Time

* Casual Dress

** Supper 6:00 (bring salad or dessert), Annual Meeting 7:00, Dance 7:30

Regular site: Florence M. Burd School, 219 Newton-Sparta Road, Andover 07860

Summer dances: Lord's Oasis, 45 Sandshore Road, Budd Lake 07828

Information: Bob and Francine Leshnower (973-697-6816)

Dance night cell: Donna Poyer (908-619-2296) or Mike Szekula (908-319-9412)

Y SQUARES – Clark

www.y-squares.nnjssda.org

MS/RD - PL tips

2 & 4 Fri. Sept-May

Hehnlly Elem. School, 590 Raritan Rd., 07066

As we wind down our class schedule for the year, we thank Dan Koft for his usual excellence in preparing our students for their graduation. A few of the women have learned the "man's" part. We have had clothing sales to provide the students with square dance attire. We encourage our students and all of the new graduates to attend as many summer dances as possible in order to hone their Mainstream dancing skills.

On another note: Y Squares will be celebrating its 45th anniversary on Friday, November 14 with Ken Ritucci and Karen Kushla. Please save the date!

Ad on page 51 Dianne & Don Madden (olreggie@comcast.net) 609-693-0247

Can ABC Dance Help Our Clubs?

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talented bakers and snack designers we have! Just like IHOP advertisements, "Come hungry, leave happy" applies here. What more can we ask of this activity: great dancing (best exercise ever), yummy treats, and really important, super camaraderie.

Our raid program is going very well, thanks to our coordinators, the Flanderas. We hope they experienced a square dance while they vacationed in Japan. At home, we have enjoyed some very nice raids by several clubs. Raids are a very important part of square dancing, more so now than ever. It's such a great way to communicate, hear different ideas, and meet such nice people.

Two Plus classes, taught by Andy Woerner and Fran Wadel, are in full swing in the area. Western Wheelers wholeheartedly invites new dancers to visit our club upon completion of their lessons. We've all been there, and we do our best to make new people feel welcome, right from the get-go.

Our caller/cuer line up since New Year's was Andy Woerner, Dan and Kathy Koft, Wayne Applegate, and Roy and Betsy Gotta. Our regular club cuer is Peg Millar.

We have enjoyed good attendance at all of our dances throughout the season. Because of all of the above, I feel square dancing is growing again and hopefully will continue in this mode. Now, with all this information before you, maybe you'd like to "Come join us; you'll like us, the Friendly Club!"

Ad on page 12 Marilyn P. Bachman (*margus258@aol.com*) 201-261-3921

	Chuck & Gerry Hardy Square Dance Callers Now booking dates for 2008 and 2009 www.chuckandgerry.com PO Box 88 Underhill, VT 05489 802-899-9925 800-584-3453 cell 914-388-4693	
cdhardy@aol.com		gerhardy@aol.com
		

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Our dedicated refreshment chair, Marianne Harris, has been under the weather of late. We send her our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Classes are still going strong. They're being held one hour before our regular dance time of 2:30 pm on Sunday afternoon.

Please note that our regular dancing season ends with our June 1 dance. If you're looking for a great way to spend a weekend afternoon, please consider spending time with our family-friendly club. You'll never regret it.

Ad on page 43 Mary Ann Ryan-Erdek (*erdekfamily@verizon.net*) 732-271-9151

ABC Dance Promotes Fun, Fitness, Friendship Offers variety through music rather than many steps Focus is on DANCING, not lessons

Rutgers Promenaders

2007 – 2008 Dance Season

1st and 3rd Sunday Afternoons
September 16th through June 1st
2:30 – 5:00 PM
American Legion Post 459
1015 Linwood Place
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Mainstream Dancing For All Ages

Callers: **Betsy Gotta**
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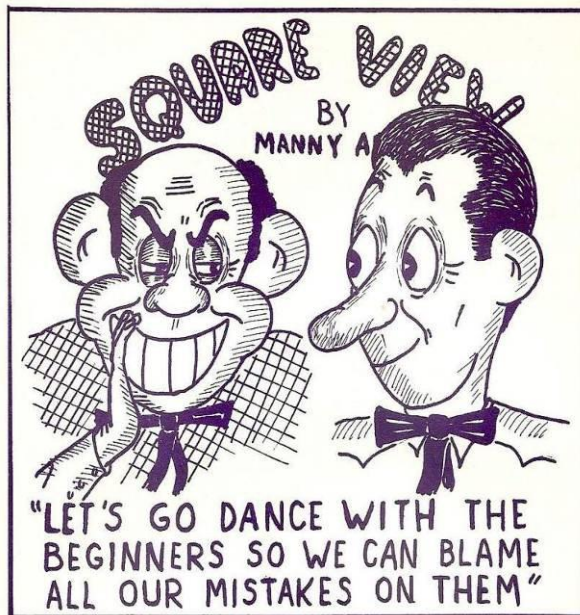
Cuers: **Roy Gotta**
and/or **Kathy Koft**

Dancing May 4th, May 18th, June 1st, September 7th

Our 55th Anniversary Dance will be held next season, watch for flyers

For more information
Ken Robinson

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kenrbnsn@rutgerspromenaders.org
<http://www.rutgerspromenaders.org/>



Manny Amor cartoon first published in Grand Square 1965

CALENDAR OF ADVERTISED DANCES

Listing of dances, weekends, and workshops prepared from ads appearing **IN THIS ISSUE**. See ad for details. *Dances that are not club level are italicized.* All dances are in NJ unless specified. Abbreviations: A=Advanced; Alt=Alternating; B=Basic; C=Challenge; CW=Country & Western; MS=Mainstream; PL=Plus; RD=Rounds; TBA=To Be Announced; WS=Workshop

Date/Club	Caller/Cuer/Leader	Place	Program
April			
28 Spinning Wheels	Wadel/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
29 <i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Wadel</i>	<i>Montville</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
May			
2 Hunterdon Flutter.	Woerner	Stanton Station	Alt. MS/PL
Masqueraders	Leber/Rumble	Hightstown	PL/RD
Middletown Ramblers	Richman	Leonardo	PL
Reelers	Landi/Roberts	Randolph	PL/RD
RocklandRockytops	Foote	West Nyack, NY	PL - A tip
3 Harmony Dancers	Matthew/Bradt	Springfield	PL/RD - A tip
4 F.A.D. Squares	Leber	Paramus	MS - PL tip
Motiv8ors	Callahan	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
5 Spinning Wheels	Foote/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
6 Lakeland Squares	Foote	Montville	MS - PL tip
7 Belles & Beaux	Wadel	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
9 Bee Sharps	Coy/McGee	Bound Brook	Alt. MS/PL/RD
Kittatinny Rangers	Anfinen	Andover	Alt. MS/PL
Middletown Ramblers	Applegate	Leonardo	PL
RocklandRockytops	McFarland	West Nyack, NY	MS - PL tip
Y Squares	Koft/Koft	Clark	MS/RD - PL tips
12 Spinning Wheels	G. Hardy/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
13 Lakeland Squares	C. Hardy	Montville	MS/PL tip
14 Cross Trail Squares	Kapnick	Caldwell	Alt. MS/PL - A tip
Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
16 Hunterdon Flutter.	Kerns	Stanton Station	Alt. MS/PL
Masqueraders	Franks/Rumble	Hightstown	PL/RD
Middletown Ramblers	Icenhower	Leonardo	PL
Reelers	Leber/Gotta	Randolph	PL/RD
Tenakill Twirlers	Snyder	Cresskill	MS - PL tip
17 CNJSDA	Koft/Koft	Bayville	MS/PL/RD
18 F.A.D. Squares	McFarland	Paramus	MS - PL tip
Motiv8ors	Jacobs	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
19 Spinning Wheels	Gittelman/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
20 Lakeland Squares	Richman	Montville	MS - PL tip
21 Belles & Beaux	Shukayr	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
23 Bee Sharps	G. Hardy/Kushla	Bound Brook	Alt. MS/PL/RD
Circle Eights	McFarland	Haworth	MS - PL tip
Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Andover	Alt. MS/PL
Middletown Ramblers	Gittelman	Leonardo	PL
Y Squares	Reardon/McCabe	Clark	MS/RD - PL tips
27 Lakeland Squares	Gittelman	Montville	MS - PL tip
28 Cross Trail Squares	Gittelman	Caldwell	Alt. MS/PL - A tip
30 Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL
31 NNJSDA	Snyder/Pickett	Caldwell	Alt. MS/PL/RD

50th Anniversary:

Get your reservation in NOW so the caterers know you're coming!

June

1	F.A.D. Squares	Richman	Paramus	MS - PL tip
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
2	Acey Deuceys	Gotta	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
	Spinning Wheels	C. Hardy/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
4	Belles & Beaux	Richman	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
6	Hunterdon Flutter.	Kerns	Stanton Station	Alt. MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Gotta/Gotta	Leonardo	PL/RD
	Reelers	Kaltenthaler/Gotta	Randolph	PL/RD
	RocklandRockytops	Leber	West Nyack, NY	PL - A tip
7	The Five Clubs	Gittelman/Bradt	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
9	Acey Deuceys	Callahan	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
	Spinning Wheels	Wadel/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
11	Cross Trail Squares	Snyder	Caldwell	Alt. MS/ PL - A tip
12	Hix & Chix	Miller, Harrison/ Wagenhoffers	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
13	Middletown Ramblers	Coy	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Gotta	West Nyack, NY	ABC Dance/MS
16	Acey Deuceys	Moger	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
	Spinning Wheels	Snyder/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
17	Lakeland Squares	Gotta	Montville	MS - PL tip
18	Belles & Beaux	Applegate	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
	Shore Swingers	Bower/Gotta	Pt. Pleasant Beach	PL/RD
19	Hix & Chix	Hampton/Kushla	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
20	Middletown Ramblers	Anfinson	Leonardo	PL
21	The Five Clubs	Snyder/McCabe	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
22	Monmouth Pk. Racetrack	TBA	Oceanport	Demo
	Motiv8ors	Hampton	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
23	Acey Deuceys	Stern	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
24	Lakeland Squares	Snyder	Montville	MS - PL tip
27	Circle Eights	Richman	Haworth	MS - PL tip
29	Motiv8ors	Steckman	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
30	Acey Deuceys	Jacobs	Colonie, NY	A2/C1

July

1	Lakeland Squares	D. Page	Montville	MS - PL tip
2	Belles & Beaux	Leber	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
5	The Five Clubs	Leber/Roberts	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
6	F.A.D. Squares	McFarland	Paramus	MS - PL tip
7	Acey Deuceys	Bates	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
8	Lakeland Squares	McFarland	Montville	MS - PL tip
9	NNJSDA Special	Push/Millar	Elmwood Park	Alt. MS/PL/RD
10	Hix & Chix	Williamson/Williamson	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
11	Middletown Ramblers	Snyder	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Leber	West Nyack, NY	ABC Dance/MS
13	Bee Sharps & Hunterdon Flutterwheels	Kerns, Patton	Bound Brook	Easy MS
	Motiv8ors	Ritucci	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
14	Acey Deuceys	Poisson	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
15	Lakeland Squares	Koft	Montville	MS - PL tip
16	Belles & Beaux	Applegate	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
17	Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Budd Lake	Alt. MS/PL
18	Middletown Ramblers	Martellacci	Leonardo	PL
18	RocklandRockytops	Richman	West Nyack, NY	PL - A tip

July continued

19	The Five Clubs	Landi/Kushla	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
20	F.A.D. Squares	Snyder	Paramus	MS - PL tip
	Motiv8ors	R. Dougherty	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
21	Acey Deuceys	R. Dougherty	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
22	Lakeland Squares	Landi	Montville	MS - PL tip
23	NNJSDA Special	Lee/Gotta	Elmwood Park	Alt. MS/PL/RD
24	Hix & Chix	R. Dougherty/Kushla	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
25	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>Landi</i>	<i>Leonardo</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
28	Acey Deuceys	Fellegly	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
29	<i>Lakeland Squares</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Montville</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>

August

1	Middletown Ramblers	Matthew	Leonardo	PL
2	The Five Clubs	Ritucci/McGee	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
3	F.A.D. Squares	Push	Paramus	MS - PL tip
	Motiv8ors	Bryant	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
4	Acey Deuceys	Bryant	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
6	Belles & Beaux	Kapnick	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
7	Hix & Chix	Snyder/Reardon/Eum	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
8	Middletown Ramblers	Applegate	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	D. Page	West Nyack, NY	<i>ABC Dance/MS</i>
11	Acey Deuceys	Matthew	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
13	NNJSDA Special	Longobucco/Kushla	Elmwood Park	Alt. MS/PL/RD
14	Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Budd Lake	Alt. MS/PL
15	Middletown Ramblers	Snyder	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	Leber	West Nyack, NY	PL - A tip
17	Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Budd Lake	Alt. MS/PL
18	Acey Deuceys	Stevens	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
16	The Five Clubs	Jacobs/Kushla	Springfield	MS/PL/RD
17	F.A.D. Squares	Applegate	Paramus	MS - PL tip
20	Belles & Beaux	Applegate	Glen Rock	MS - PL tip
21	Hix & Chix	Matthew/Kushla	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
22	<i>Middletown Ramblers</i>	<i>Koft</i>	<i>Leonardo</i>	<i>Barn Dance</i>
24	Motiv8ors	Stevens	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
25	Acey Deuceys	Baker	Colonie, NY	A2/C1
27	NNJSDA	Ritucci/Wagenhoffers	Elmwood Park	Alt. MS/PL/RD

September

3	<i>Belles & Beaux</i>	<i>Richman</i>	<i>Glen Rock</i>	<i>ABC Dance</i>
	Mountain Squares	Landi	Whippany	A2
5	Masqueraders	TBA	Hightstown	PL/RD
	Middletown Ramblers	Applegate	Leonardo	PL
7	F.A.D. Squares	Leber	Paramus	MS - PL tip
	Motiv8ors	Jacobs	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
	Rutgers Promenaders	Gottas & Kofts	New Brunswick	MS/RD
8	<i>Bee Sharps</i>	<i>Patton</i>	<i>Bridgewater</i>	<i>Open House</i>
	Spinning Wheels	G. Hardy/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
9	Lakeland Squares	Reardon	Montville	MS - PL tip
10	Cross Trail Squares	Gotta	Caldwell	Alt. MS/PL - A tip
12	Bee Sharps	Richman/Pickett	Bound Brook	PL/RD
	Kittatinny Rangers	Applegate	Andover	Alt. MS/PL
	Middletown Ramblers	Landi	Leonardo	PL
	RocklandRockytops	C. & G. Hardy	West Nyack, NY	<i>ABC Dance/MS</i>
	Y Squares	Franks/Kushla	Clark	MS/RD - PL tips
14	Motiv8ors	Steckman	Elmwood Park	A2/C1
15	<i>Bee Sharps</i>	<i>Patton</i>	<i>Bridgewater</i>	<i>Open House</i>
	Spinning Wheels	C. Hardy/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip

September continued

16	Lakeland Squares Y Squares	G. Hardy Koft	Montville Clark	MS - PL tip Open House
17	Belles & Beaux Mountain Squares	Applegate Landi	Glen Rock Whippany	MS - PL tip A2
19	Hunterdon Flutter. Masqueraders Middletown Ramblers Reelers	Kerns TBA Amor Leber/Pickett	Stanton Station Hightstown Leonardo Randolph	Alt. MS/PL PL/RD PL PL/RD
20	Lakeland Squares Western Wheelers	Reardon TBA	Montville Oradell	MS - PL tip PL/RD - A tip
21	F.A.D. Squares Hunterdon Flutter. Rutgers Promenaders	Coy Kerns Gottas & Kofts	Paramus Stanton Station New Brunswick	MS - PL tip Open House MS/RD
22	Bee Sharps Spinning Wheels	Patton Richman/Gesumaria	Bridgewater Oakland	Open House MS/CW - PL tip
23	Lakeland Squares	Landi	Montville	MS - PL tip
24	Cross Trail Squares	Applegate	Caldwell	Alt. MS/PL - A tip
26	Circle Eights Kittatinny Rangers Middletown Ramblers Y Squares/ Bee Sharps	Gotta Ims Anfinson Callahan/Kushla	Haworth Andover Thompson Park Clark	MS - PL tip Alt. MS/PL Open House MS/PL/RD
29	Spinning Wheels	Applegate/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW - PL tip
30	Lakeland Squares	Richman	Montville	Barn Dance

ABC Dance

June

13 RocklandRockytops Gotta West Nyack, NY ABC Dance first hour

July

11 RocklandRockytops Leber West Nyack, NY ABC Dance first hour

August

8 RocklandRockytops D. Page West Nyack, NY ABC Dance first hour

September

3 Belles & Beaux Richman Glen Rock ABC Dance
12 RocklandRockytops C. & G. Hardy West Nyack, NY ABC Dance first hour

Workshops at Every Dance

Circle Eights	first ¼ hour of dance	Haworth	PL
Cross Trail Squares	½ hour before dance	Caldwell	PL
Lakeland Squares	first ¼ hour of dance	Montville	PL DBD
Masqueraders	third tip as needed	Hightstown	PL
Mountain Squares	every dance as needed	Whippany	A2
RocklandRockytops	¼ hour before dance	West Nyack, NY	PL DBD
Spinning Wheels	first ½ hour of dance	Oakland	PL

Conventions, Festivals, Specials & Weekends

May

17 CNJSDA Koft/Koft Bayville MS/PL/RD
31 NNJSDA 50th Anniv. Snyder/Pickett Caldwell Alt. MS/PL/RD

June

15 Tirrells' 60th Anniv. Guest Staff Waterford, VT Squares/RD
20-21 A2 Mini Weekend Hampton, Moger, Ritucci Colonie, NY A2/C1
22 Monmouth Pk.Racetrack TBA Oceanport Demo
26-28 57th National Conv. Many Callers/Cuers Wichita, Kansas All Programs

July

9 NNJSDA Special Push/Millar Elmwood Park MS/PL/RD
23 NNJSDA Special Lee/Gotta Elmwood Park MS/PL/RD

Conventions, Festivals, Specials & Weekends continued

August

13	NNJSDA Special	Longobucco/Kushla	Elmwood Park	MS/PL/RD
27	NNJSDA Special	Ritucci/Wagenhoffers	Elmwood Park	MS/PL/RD

September

26-28	A Blitz Weekend	Ritucci	Manchester, NH	A
27	NNJSDA The Gathering	Marriner/Gotta Daytime Education Sessions/Evening Dance	New Brunswick	MS/PL/RD

October

9-13	Northeast Callers School	Ritucci, Poisson, R. Dougherty, Felleggy	Manchester, NH	Learn to Call Improve Skills
16	Hix & Chix	D. Dougherty/Wagenhoffers	Elmwood Park	PL/RD
17-19	Tumbling Leaves	Bates, Harrison, Moger, Marriner, Marshall, Ritucci/Collipi, Bradt	Bennington, VT	MS/PL/A1/A2/C1/ C2/RD
20	Spinning Wheels 20th Anniv. Dinner	Reardon, Snyder/Gesumaria	Oakland	MS/CW/PL tip
31	NNJSDA	Callahan/Denniston, McCabe	Caldwell	PL/RD

November

9	NNJSDA 34 th Mini Festival	Baier, Miller, Gotta/McGee	Bridgewater	MS/PL/A/ C/RD
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December

12-13	C2 Intro	Ritucci	Colonie, NY	C2
31	The Five Clubs	Jacobs/Bradt	Springfield	Alt. MS & PL/RD

Promenade on the Prairie

57th National Convention: Wichita, Kansas, June 26 – 28, 2008

Prepare Your State Outfit for the Parade of States

There is no limit on the number of marchers from each state.

So, let's GO New Jersey!



This happy group of NNJSDA dancers enjoyed the 2007 National Convention in Charlotte, NC. They are wearing the New Jersey state outfit, which is green and white to signify the Garden State. For more information on the outfit, visit [NNJSDA.org / state_outfit](http://NNJSDA.org/state_outfit).

Have you made your reservations? It's not too late. www.57nsdc.com

Do you have a bus pass to ease getting from your hotel to the dance halls? Parking is very limited. Do you have your Convention Program?

Plan ahead to enjoy dancing, workshops, special events.



CIRCLE EIGHTS

**Summer 2008
Mainstream Dances**



May 23	Mickey McFarland	Mix and Match
June 27	Howard Richman	Hawaiian Ice Cream Social
Sept 26	Betsy Gotta	Autumn Leaves

**Dances: 4th Friday of each month from 8 – 10:30 pm
(No dances in July and August)
First Congregational United Church of Christ
276 Haworth Ave, Haworth, New Jersey 07641
Workshop 8 – 8:30 Plus tip 9:15**

**For information: Bob or Hilda Bachmann 201-664-4348
For directions (or if lost): Gene or Rosemary Dunton cell 201-600-6653**



Email Announcements

The NNJSDA maintains an email event announcement list. Everyone subscribed to the list receives announcements of Association and club events, dance cancellations, and other information of general interest to the square dance community. Anyone on the list can also send such announcements. It's a quick, free, and effective way to communicate with each other.

Ken Robinson, Webmaster, has set up the system in a way that prevents unauthorized access to the list—only persons who can receive can send, so no spammers. No subscriber has access to the email addresses of other subscribers. Names and addresses are never shared with any person or organization.

Individuals may subscribe by visiting nnjsda.org and clicking on “Sign up for the NNJSDA Event Announcement Email List,” or by sending a blank email message to squaredance_info-subscribe@nnjsda.org. Clubs are encouraged to send their club email list to Ken. He will email anyone not already a subscriber, explain the list's purpose, and invite them to subscribe.

Subscribers have the option of receiving a “digest” version of the collected announcements once a day or once a week instead of one at a time. And anyone can UNSUBSCRIBE at any time. Contact Ken at kenrbnsn@nnjsda.org for info.

ABC Dance

www.squaredanceabc.com

Information about the 3 Programs, Choreography, Marketing

Spinning Wheels

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Dogwood Hill School, 25 Dogwood Dr., Oakland, NJ 07436

Sept., Oct., Nov.

Valley Middle School, 71 Oak St., Oakland, NJ 07436

Dec., Jan., Feb., March

Dogwood Hill School, 25 Dogwood Dr., Oakland, NJ 07436

April, May, June

INTRODUCTION TO PLUS: 8:00 - 8:30 pm

ONE TIP – PLUS

Refreshments Provided by Members

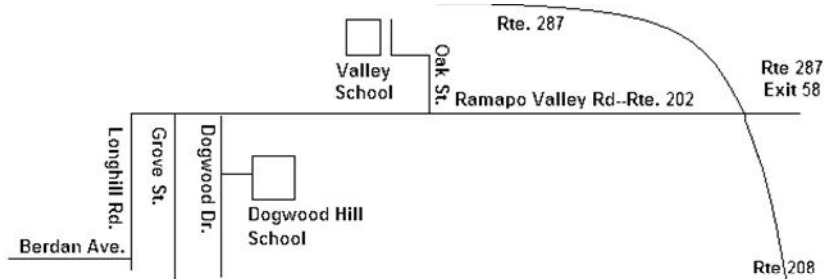
Western Dancing With Dolores

May 5th	Ed Foote	At Dogwood Hill School
12th	Gerry Hardy	"
19th	Rick Gittelman	"
No Dance – Memorial Day		
June 2nd	Chuck Hardy	At Dogwood Hill School
9	Fran Wadel	"
16	Jim Snyder	"
September 8th	G Hardy	At Dogwood Hill School
15th	Chuck Hardy	"
22nd	Howard Richman	"
29th	Wayne Applegate	"

Oct. 20, *20th Anniversary Dinner Dance@* Brownstone
Callers: Dennis Reardon & Jim Snyder

Introduction to Plus: offers all square dancers the opportunity to learn the Callerlab Plus Program from many callers. One figure is reviewed from the previous week and one new figure is introduced.

For information call: Dolores Gesumaria 201-337-8365



From Rte. 208/287: Exit 58 (Oakland); Take Rt. 202 (Ramapo Valley Rd.) South into center of Oakland
Dogwood Hill School is 8 miles Turn left on Dogwood Drive turn left after 5 houses into school driveway
Valley Middle School is 5 miles Turn Right on Oak St Take 1st left into Borough Hall parking lot and then immediate right down hill to side of Valley School
From Wayne: Take Berdan Ave to end turn left on Longhill Rd to traffic light turn right on Rte 202 take 2nd right onto Dogwood Drive

ADVANCED *BLITZ* WEEKEND

With **KEN RITUCCI**

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MILL-A-ROUND DANCE HALL, MANCHESTER, NH

THIS WEEKEND IS FOR:

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TO HAVE YOU BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THEM

DANCE THEM FROM STANDARD POSITIONS

TIME DOES NOT ALLOW FOR ALL POSITION DANCING.

INTENSE FIVE WORKSHOP ENVIRONMENT 7:30 pm Fri. – 11:30 am Sun.

DANCE SESSIONS BUILD UPON EACH OTHER.

TO REGISTER FOR THE ADVANCED BLITZ WEEKEND

Send PAYMENT of \$95/ couple payable to Ken Ritucci

132 Autumn Road, West Springfield, MA 01089

Directions & Hotel information will be sent upon registration

Information contact: Ken Ritucci 413 734 0591, kenritucci@aol.com

Y Squares

Mainstream/2 Plus Tips

2nd & 4th Fridays

Rounds @ 7:30

Hehnly School, 590 Raritan Rd. Clark, NJ

Zion Lutheran Church: 559 Raritan Rd., Clark, NJ (alt. site)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Cuer</u>
May 9	Pot Luck Dinner	Koft	Koft
May 23	Ice Cream Social	Reardon	McCabe
Sept. 12	Welcome Back	Franks	Kushla
Sept. 16	Open House	Koft	-----
Sept. 26	Joint Venture with Bee Sharps	Callahan	Kushla
Oct. 10	Apple Fest	Applegate	McGee
Oct. 24	Harvest Fest: Food Bank	Koft	Koft
Nov. 14	45 th Anniversary Dance ***	Ritucci	Kushla
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Weekend: No Dance		
Dec. 12	Holiday Toy Collection	Snyder	McGee

Happy Anniversary, Hunterdon Stars & Mercer Arc Angels!

We congratulate both clubs and their teacher/mentor/travel chaperone,

Michelle McCarty.

Fifteen years of very capable handicapped dancing!

Look for them at home in New Jersey and at the National in Wichita.

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DECEMBER 12 & 13, 2008

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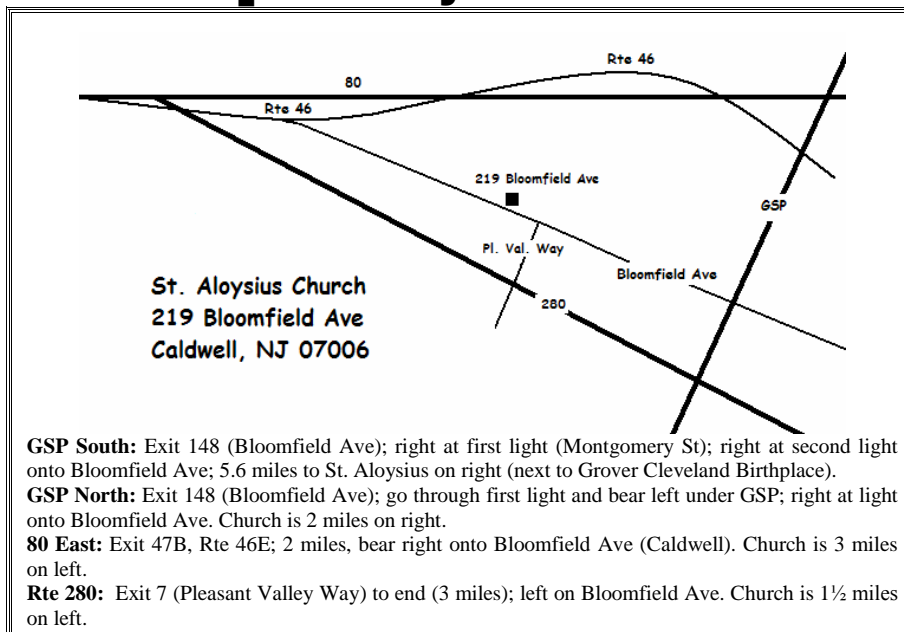
SATURDAY 10:00-NOON, 2:00-4:15 & 7:30-10:00 PM

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Map for NNJSDA Dances



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pretty funny herself at first. “Are you kidding me? That’s a reach,” said the senior math major. But after spending three hours a day for two weeks memorizing almost 100 dance calls, then weaving in and out of complicated formations on cue, she changed her mind. Amid constant movement, she had to visualize and use math concepts that many college math majors don’t study until their fourth year. During breaks in the dancing fun, the students discussed snippets only math lovers could appreciate: the number of permutations possible in one call or how a rectangle formation could be sheared to create a parallelogram “concept” of a typical call. “It’s math in motion,” says Professor Schmitz.

David Schmitz likens square dancing to solving a Rubik’s Cube. Caller Sandra Bryant compares calling to moving chess pieces around a board to music. “It’s like puzzle-solving in real time,” says caller Clark Baker. A computer programmer who has been dancing with Tech Squares since 1974, Baker laments that it’s a constant battle to fight the stereotype of a jug of moonshine and hay bales.

How to entice college students to try square dancing? Perhaps the answer lies in the expression, “Try it; you’ll like it!” Nathan Pierson, a North Central freshman in math who took the square dance course and is considering joining the club, had this to say, “This is a much more intellectual experience than my preconception. And it was just a lot more fun than I thought, too.”

Jan Thompson

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Although the NNJSDA is not eligible to receive donations in this way because we are not a registered non-profit, the new ARTS (Alliance of Round, Traditional, and Square Dance) is one of the many thousands of participating organizations. It’s listed as “ARTS Dance – Alliance of Round Traditional and Square.” You can even add your favorite charity if it’s not already listed.

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Lise Greene



**Join Us For A Dance In The Park:
Bring The Whole Family!!!!**

Sunday, June 22, 2008

The horses will dance a round or two, we'll dance a square or two!
(Please look for the flyer available at the April 27 Delegates' Meeting
for details on caller and dance times.)

***Every Sunday is Family Fun Day at
Monmouth Racetrack***

Starting on the Green and spreading all the way to the picnic area, you'll find clowns, face painters, live music, pony rides, bounce houses, and more. In addition, there is a playground in the Picnic Area and an arcade on the first floor of the Grandstand. All Family Fun Day activities 12-4 pm "On the Green."

Picnic Area

With over 100 umbrella tables extending nearly the entire length of the stretch, this location is one of Monmouth's most popular. Kids can play on the large playground while the adults throw hot dogs on the barbecue. Charcoal grills are allowed; gas grills are not.

Picnic tables are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

***Grandstand Admission: \$2.00 / person
(children under 12 FREE)***

Grandstand General Parking: FREE

Park gates open at 11:30 am. If you would like to explore the grounds before the races, plan to arrive between 11:30 am and noon. The first race's post time is 12:50 pm, so if you want to bet in the first race (or the daily double), make sure that you arrive no later than 12:45 pm. On most days, there are nine or ten live races (finishing up between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm).

www.monmouthpark.com

Monmouth Park Racetrack, Oceanport Avenue, Oceanport, NJ 07757

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HIX & CHIX

**Hix & Chix will be dancing Summer Specials in 2008
with NATIONAL & LOCAL CALLERS!**

VFW Hall: Veterans Place, Elmwood Park, NJ

Early Rounds 7:30 Alternating Plus Squares & Rounds

8:00 to 10:30

RAIDERS ARE WELCOME: Two per Dance

<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Cuer</u>
June 12	Tom Miller, PA Bill Harrison, PA	The Wagenhoffers, NY
June 19	Rick Hampton, CA	Karen Kushla, NJ
July 10	Howard Williamson, PA	Donna Williamson, PA
July 24	Randy Dougherty, AZ	Karen Kushla, NJ
August 7	Jim Snyder, PA Dennis Reardon, PA	Tina & Nana Eum, VA
August 21	Glenn Matthew, DE	Karen Kushla, NJ
October 16	Dee Dee Dougherty, MN	The Wagenhoffers, NY
Info: John Huettemann, 201-438-0948		Directions to Hall: 201-796-9638

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MAINSTREAM

Sunday **Weeks of the Month**
 F.A.D. Squares 1, 3 All Year
c.c.oconnor@att.net
 Rutgers Promenaders 1, 3 Sept-June
kenrbnsn@rutgerspromenaders.org
Monday
 Spinning Wheels Every Week Sept-June
dollyges@verizon.net
Tuesday
 Lakeland Squares Every Week Sept-July
lakelandsquares@hotmail.com
Wednesday
 Belles & Beaux 1, 3 All Year
bellesbeaux@gmail.com
Friday
 Circle Eights 4 Sept-June
corvis2@verizon.net
 RocklandRockytops 2 All Year
lauries@optonline.net
 Tenakill Twirlers 3 Oct-May
 Y Squares 2, 4 Sept-May
janhsanderson@aol.com

ADVANCED & CHALLENGE

Sunday
 Motiv8ors (A2, C1) Varied All Year
charartist@aol.com
Tuesday
 Hi Taws (C1, C2) Varied All Year
bbeck123@aol.com
Wednesday
 Mountain Squares (A2) 1, 3 Sept-Dec
 Mar-June

PLUS

Thursday **Weeks of the Month**
 Hix & Chix Varied June-Aug
Friday
 Bee Sharps 2, 4 Sept-Jan
beesharps@squaredancing.com
 Masqueraders 1, 3 Sept-May
thearthousehold@aol.com
 Middletown Ramblers Every Week All Year
middletownramblers@comcast.net
 Reelers (Ironia) 1, 3 Sept-June
kellyji@att.net
 RocklandRockytops 1 Oct-June
lauries@optonline.net 3 Jul-Aug
Saturday
 Harmony Dancers 1 Oct-May
leo.jeckmann@verizon.net
 Western Wheelers 2, 4 Sept-April
rhoernlein@optonline.net

ALTERNATE MAINSTREAM/ PLUS

Sunday
 AleMo Squares 2, 4 Sept-June
alemodancer@yahoo.com
Wednesday
 Cross Trail Squares 2, 4 Sept-June
delanceyal@aol.com
Thursday
 Kittatinny Rangers Various July-Aug
Friday
 Bee Sharps 2, 4 Feb-May
beesharps@squaredancing.com
 Hunterdon Flutterwheels 1, 3 Sept-June
kwiatek@att.net
 Kittatinny Rangers 2, 4 Sept-May
lesh323@aol.com
Saturday
 Five Clubs 1, 3 June-Aug
aammons@hkhfdn.org

DANCES CANCELED

May	June	July	August
26 Spinning Wh.	3 Lakeland Squares		
	10 Lakeland Squares		
	15 F.A.D. Squares		

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